Business and Labor

- 1. Alcohol Licensing to study alcohol licensing by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.
 - 2. Alcohol Storage to study the refrigerated storage of heavy beers.
- 3. Alcoholic Beverage Control Act and Restaurant Licenses to study restaurant related licenses issued by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission (H.B. 223).
 - 4. Annuities to study issues related to annuity regulation.
- 6. Armed Guard Licensure to study whether armed guard licensure should be moved from the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing to the Bureau of Criminal Identification.
 - 7. Commodities to study commodity money issues.
- 8. Common Interest Ownership to study the repealing and enacting of laws related to common interest ownership (H.B. 399).
 - 9. Construction Licenses to study potential amendments to construction license laws.
- 10. Construction Registry and Liens to study issues related to the Utah Mechanics' Lien law, the lien recovery fund, and the state construction registry.
- 11. Continuing Education Requirements to study the number of hours of continuing education needed to retain a trade license.
 - 12. Contractor Database to study issues related to the independent contractor database.
 - 13. Contractor Licensing to study issues related to independent contractor licensing.
- 14. Credit Scores and Auto Insurance Rates to study the use of credit scores in determining auto insurance rates.
- 15. Disclosure of Methamphetamine Contaminated Property to study whether to require an owner or lessor who obtains information that would lead a reasonable person to believe that property is or may be contaminated from methamphetamines to exercise reasonable diligence to determine whether the property is contaminated to require the owner or lessor to report the contamination (H.B. 190).
- 17. Gender Rating in the Individual Insurance Market to study whether removing the gender rating raises premiums in the individual insurance market, what the gender gap premiums look like in Utah, and the results and lessons to be learned from states that have disallowed gender rating.
 - 18. Handyman Code to study needed revisions to the state's current handyman code.
- 19. Holding Construction Funds in Trust to study whether to require contractors and subcontractors to hold construction funds in trust (H.B. 272).
- 21. Impact of Misclassifying Workers as Independent Contractors to study the misclassification of workers as independent contractors rather than employees to determine the prevalence of the practice in Utah and the impact on the state of:
- a. workers being denied the protections and benefits of employee status, like workers' compensation insurance coverage;
- b. employers failing to make Social Security, Medicare, and unemployment insurance payments

and ignoring labor standards like paying overtime, minimum wages, or other employee benefits; and

- c. law-abiding businesses who properly classify workers as employees yet have higher costs, being subjected to unfair competition from businesses who achieve low costs by intentionally misclassifying their workers.
- 22. Insurance Code to study the organization and terminology of the state's Insurance Code.
- 24. Laws Governing Building Contractors to study and address the need for stronger laws governing building contractors, the over-use of B-100 general contractor licenses in lieu of qualified specialty trade licenses, and the increase in companies classifying their workers as "independent contractors" or using other methods to avoid paying fair wages, workers' compensation insurance, and payroll taxes.
 - 25. Limited Liability Companies to study LLC's under the Uniform Law format.
- 26. Mechanical Contractors to study potential modifications to mechanical contractor licensing laws.
- 27. Mechanics' Lien Laws to study mechanics lien laws to determine whether charges are necessary to protect homeowners from liens even though the general contractor is paid in full.
- 28. Merging Business Entities to study consistency in the process of merging various business entities.
- 30. Professional Engineer Continuing Education to study whether licensed professional engineers are keeping up with continuing education units and practicing with a license.
- 31. Protecting Identity of Children to study how to provide a mechanism for freezing the credit information of a child (H.B. 387).
- 32. Real Property Sales Information to study whether a buyer in a real property sale should have to provide information relating to the sale to the Multicounty Appraisal Trust (H.B. 61 and H.J.R. 7).
- 33. Seismic Requirements to study seismic requirements for condominium conversion projects.
- 34. Special Event Alcohol Sales to study whether to extend the hours for alcohol sales for special events.
- 35. Workers' Compensation Death Benefits to study and review workers' compensation death benefits for a surviving spouse, with an analysis of dependency.
- 114. Health Care Mandates Versus Free Market Solutions to study government mandates on modified community ratings, coverage, and licensing, and free market alternatives.
- 119. Health Underwriting to study health underwriting by health benefit plans and expanding the ability to exclude certain conditions from coverage.

Constitutional Revision Commission

36. School Fee and Supplies - to study amendments to the Utah Constitution regarding school fees and supplies (H.J.R. 25).

Education

- 37. 12th Grade to study accelerated high school graduation and increasing the rigor of high school graduation requirements.
 - 38. Board Elimination to study the elimination of the Board of Regents.
- 39. Board of Regents Governance Issues to study whether to choose representatives on the Board of Regents from all regions of the state, and whether the Regents system is the most effective way to govern higher education.
- 40. Career Status Requirements to study the career status requirements of school district employees.
 - 41. District Funding to study funding for small school districts.
 - 42. Early Graduation to study whether to provide incentives for early graduation.
 - 43. Education Levies to study the consolidation of education levies.
- 44. Environmental Design Standards for Schools to study whether the Utah Board of Education should build schools to the energy and environmental design rating system (LEED) or comparable system.
- 45. Extended Year Schedules to study the feasibility of extending school calendars and schedules to increase the enrollment capacity of school buildings.
- 46. Fundamental Computing Concepts Credit to study the teaching of higher level technology education classes like fundamental computing concepts so that the .5 credit required in computer technology curriculum does not include keyboarding, but is strictly in computing concepts.
- 47. Gun Safety Education to study whether to provide education on gun safety to Utah's children.
- 48. Hazing Policies to study issues related to hazing policies for higher education (H.B. 410).
- 49. Higher Education Governance to study Board of Regents governance of higher education.
- 50. Higher Education Program Approval to study and make recommendations regarding whether the authority to approve academic programs should be moved from the State Board of Regents to higher education institution boards of trustees in order to be more responsive to regional needs.
- 51. Impact of Decreased Education Funding to study and determine whether decreases in per pupil spending in Utah schools negatively affects Utah students' test scores and hampers their competitiveness for future employment and education.
- 52. Impact of Tax Cuts on Education Funding to study and determine whether income and property tax cuts and diversions are harming Utah's higher and public education funding system.
- 53. Labor Law Related to Schools to study why state school districts are exempt from national and state labor laws.
 - 54. Math Education to study strengthening the math curriculum and math teacher

preparation.

- 55. Online Education Access to study how to provide better access to online education courses for K-12 students.
- 56. Payment for Online Courses to study whether to require school districts to pay for online courses from qualified providers.
- 57. Public School Innovations to study how to provide greater flexibility to public schools to meet the educational needs of students, including an innovation plan (H.B. 268).
- 58. Renewable Energy Class to study the teaching of a class in math/science or career technology education on how renewable energy generates electricity to prepare students for potential future employment in this area.
- 59. Replacing Criterion Reference Tests (CRT) to study whether to replace Criterion Reference Tests with ACT tests, starting with pre-ACT in eighth grade.
- 60. School District Allocation of IT Budget to study the disparity between maintenance and salary versus hardware and software; the disparity, within the hardware budget, between administrative overhead and resources actually dedicated to instruction; and the disparity between pay and benefits between school district employment and industry/market standards.
 - 61. School Nutrition and Activity to study physical activity and nutrition in schools.
- 62. School Property Tax Equalization to study whether to repeal the requirement to impose and distribute certain school capital outlay property tax revenues in school districts within a first class county or divided school district (S.B. 87).
- 63. School Seismic Hazard Inventory to study whether to require a school district or charter school to conduct a seismic evaluation of each facility used by the district or a charter school and to create a Public School Seismic Safety Committee (S.B. 72).
- 64. Student Funding to study the funding of students, not institutions of higher education.
- 65. Student Loans for Teachers to study student loan payment assistance for veteran teachers, including tax incentives or assistance through the education system.
- 66. Teacher Immunity to study whether to grant teachers partial immunity for actions at school.
- 67. Teacher Salary Levels to study whether to make full-time classroom teachers the highest paid employees of a school district.
- 68. Veterinary Medicine Program to study the establishment of a professional veterinary medicine program at USU.

Government Operations and Political Subdivisions

- 5. Anti-discrimination in Housing and the Workplace to study whether and how to provide for protections against discrimination in the workplace and housing based on sexual orientation.
- 16. Disproportionate Rental Fee to study whether to prohibit municipalities from excluding landlords from participating in a good landlord program, under which the landlord qualifies for a disproportionate rental fee reduction, based on the landlord accepting tenants with no more than one felony conviction (H.B. 220).
- 20. Housing and Employment Protections to study the consequences of implementing certain local ordinances on a state level that give specific protections in employment and housing to LGBT individuals.
- 69. Access to Government Records to study whether a governmental employee's salary should be a public record under GRAMA (1st Sub. H.B. 266).
- 70. Addresses on State Forms to study state forms to determine how many have a line for mailing addresses or P.O. boxes.
- 71. Agriculture Sustainability to study ways to promote sustainability, including requiring counties to establish an Agriculture Sustainability Investment Fund (H.B. 102). (Rep. Draxler requested that #71 be assigned to Govt. Operations and Pol. Subdivisions)
- 72. Assisted Housing Waiting Lists to study the merger of assisted housing waiting lists in counties with more than one housing authority.
- 73. Ballot Proposition Withdrawal to study a process to allow sponsors of initiative and referendum petitions to withdraw their application.
- 75. Bonding Requirements in State Employment to study the removal of bonding requirements for certain state officers.
- 76. Building Utilization and Cost Assessment to study a building utilization and cost assessment, performed by the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, for leased and owned state and higher education buildings.
- 77. Campaign Contribution Information Requirements to study the requirement for disclosure of employment data for a person making a campaign contribution.
- 78. Campaign Contribution Limits to study whether campaign contribution limits should be implemented and what impact contribution limits have on legislative races.
 - 79. Candidate Vacancies to study issues related to candidate vacancies.
- 80. Compact Agreement on Presidential Election to study whether to enact an agreement among the states to elect the President of the United States by national popular vote (H.B. 297).
- 81. Conflict between Statute and Constitution Regarding Referendums to study whether Utah Code Subsection 20A-7-601(3)(b), which appears to conflict with Utah Constitution Article VI, Section 2(b)(ii) regarding referendums, should be amended.
 - 82. Daylight Savings to study the elimination of Daylight Savings Time.
- 83. Donating State Property to study and evaluate state surplus laws to determine whether to donate state computer systems to non-profit organizations.

- 84. Elected Officials' Funds to study whether Utah Code Section 52-5-201 is still necessary with all of the other financial disclosure requirements of Utah Code Title 20A, Chapter 11, Campaign and Financial Reporting Requirements.
- 85. Election Administration by County Clerks to study whether to require that county clerks administer all elections including state, county, municipality, school district, local district, and special district elections to reduce costs and improve election efficiency, expertise, uniformity, integrity, and voter convenience.
- 86. Election Code Changes Related to Federal Legislation to study whether the election code should be modified to reflect the changes made by the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act.
- 87. Election Code Violation Amendments to study whether to change the election code to include a process for a person to restore the person's right to vote, and whether there should be a penalty if a person who has forfeited the person's right to vote still votes.
 - 88. Election Day Registration to study the potential merits of election day registration.
- 89. Elections, Campaign Finance, and Lobbying Enforcement Commission to study the creation and jurisdiction of an Elections, Campaign Finance, and Lobbying Enforcement Commission.
- 90. Email Communications to study issues related to email communications and the Open and Public Meetings Act (H.B. 415).
- 91. Ethics Act to study, review, and update the Public Officers and Employers Ethics Act.
- 92. Local Option Funding to study local option funding alternatives for urban centers that receive significant commuter or tourist influx and whether additional revenue options are desirable to assist with associated transportation, public safety, or other costs.
- 93. Municipal Disincorporation to study changes to statutory provisions governing the disincorporation of a municipality (H.B. 218).
- 94. Municipal Election Amendments to study whether a municipality should be required to hold an election if, after the write-in period, candidates on the ballot are unopposed.
- 95. Non-partisan County Election Code Amendments to study whether the election code should be changed to address the issues raised by non-partisan county governments.
- 96. Online Voter Registration to study online registration and registration updates for voting.
- 97. Redistricting by Other States to study how other states conduct and implement the redistricting process.
- 98. Sole Source Procurement to study effective ways to provide for competition in a streamlined manner when only one provider may be qualified to perform a government service (S.B. 190).
- 99. State Construction Apprenticeships to study whether to require that a percentage of state construction projects include journeyman apprenticeships.
- 100. Surplus State Vehicle Sales to study whether to privatize the sale of surplus state vehicles.
- 101. Use of Electronic Signatures for Petitions to study whether electronic signatures should be used for initiative and referendum petitions (both statewide and local), political party

petitions, and certificate of nomination petitions.

- 102. Voter Engagement to study ways to improve voter engagement in Utah (H.B. 244, H.B. 368, H.B. 164).
- 103. Voting by Mail to study expanding the option for governmental entities to use voting by mail in elections (H.B. 358).
- 104. Water Banking to study the banking of water rights administered by a local district (H.B. 84).

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- 234. Surplus State Vehicles to study privatization of the sale of surplus state vehicles.
- 238. Military Installation Development Authorities to study military installation development authorities -- what they are and the extent of their powers.

Health and Human Services

- 23. Laser Centers to study the regulation of laser centers.
- 29. Pharmacy Benefit Managers to study the licensure and regulation of pharmacy benefit managers (H.B. 135).
- 74. Bariatric Surgery Coverage to study whether PEHP can develop a coverage benefit for bariatric surgery that would incur only the same or less cost to the program.
- 105. Access to Medicaid Benefits to study how to lower the asset level for pregnant women to become eligible for Medicaid benefits.
- 106. Behavioral Treatment System Improvement to study the delivery of a more effective treatment system to address the behavioral health treatment needs of children and youth in the custody of the state.
 - 107. Child Care Licensing to study the licensing of child care services.
- 108. Children's Mental Health to study and consider proposals for consolidating and coordinating administrative functions within the Department of Human Services and identify the services necessary to develop an effective home and community-based system of care for children's mental health.
- 109. Community-based Mental Health Service Costs to study how the costs of community-based mental health services compare to similar services provided in the correctional system and in-patient treatment.
- 110. Debt Collection Related to Medical Treatment to study bad debt collection for treatment provided subject to the Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act.
- 111. Division of Child and Family Services Efficiencies to study potential efficiencies in delivering services in the Division of Child and Family Services.
- 112. End of Life Care to study issues related to end of life care associated with Medicaid.
- 113. Health Care Budgeting Methods to study and identify a budgeting method to remove the double counting in Medicaid due to transfers between the Department of Health and other state agencies.
- 115. Health Care Payments to study whether to move away from fee-for-service payments to pay for quality.
- 116. Health Coverage for a Legal Immigrant Child to study whether to provide Medicaid and health insurance coverage to a legal immigrant child regardless of the length of time that the child has been in the United States (2nd Sub. S.B. 44).
- 117. Health Reform for Utah's Children to study state health reform that covers all Utah children.
- 118. Health Support of Law Enforcement to study stable funding for Department of Health entities that support law enforcement missions, like the Bureau of Toxicology.
- 120. Hospital Emergency Department Use to study and identify strategies for reducing inappropriate emergency department use and related costs.
- 121. Income and Asset Testing to study the rules and policies for income and asset testing related to Medicaid and other welfare programs.

- 122. Individuals with Disabilities to study options for meeting the needs of individuals with disabilities who are in crisis, medically fragile, or have significant behavior challenges.
 - 123. Infections to study health care associated infections.
- 124. Medicaid Family Planning Services to study the extension of Medicaid family planning services to low income women.
- 125. Medicaid Fraud Reporting to study and explore ways the Department of Health, the Department of Human Services, and the Department of Workforce Services could increase public awareness of their fraud reporting systems and encourage the public to report Medicaid fraud.
- 126. Medicaid Improvements to study the lessons learned in Medicare that could be applied in the Medicaid program.
- 127. Medicaid Program Coordination to study the consolidation or improved coordination of the Medicaid program by the Department of Health, the Department of Human Services, and the Department of Workforce Services.
- 128. Medicaid Statutes to study and review Medicaid statutes for clarification in assigned responsibilities, desired policy direction, and agency interactions, and consider raising all the statutes relating to Medicaid from chapter level to a separate title and consolidating all related statutes within that title.
- 129. Medical Assistance Asset Test to study whether to prohibit the use of an asset test in determining the eligibility of a child or an independent foster care adolescent for medical assistance (H.B. 87).
- 130. Medical Assistance Collections to study and review a list of options for expansion in the areas of collections, such as requiring insurers to share benefit information for all medical assistance recipients to increase collections and cost avoidance.
- 131. Medical Benefits Recovery to study and reconsider S.B. 50, Medical Benefits Recovery Amendments, 2008 General Session, which amended the Medical Benefits Recovery Act to provide that a lien to recover medical assistance benefits provided by the state may be imposed against the real property of a person who is an inpatient in a care facility during the life of that person.
- 132. Medical Industrial Complex to study issues related to the Medical Industrial Complex.
- 133. Mental Health Care Delivery to study the development of a design for delivery of an effective community-based system of care to address the mental health needs of children, youth, and their families. The design is to be developed by the Department of Human Services, working with stakeholders in the public mental health and substance abuse treatment systems and family support advocacy organizations.
- 134. Mental Health Pilot Project to study the establishment of a pilot program for assertive community treatment services for people with a severe mental disorder, who are not receiving or are transitioning out of other mental health services, and to their families (H.B. 198).
 - 135. Needle Disposal to study potential needle disposal legislation.
- 136. Nutrition Information in Restaurants to study the posting of nutrition information on restaurant menus.
 - 137. Prematurity in Newborn Infants to study health information issues related to

prematurity of newborn infants.

- 138. Residential Facilities for the Elderly to study provisions relating to residential facilities for elderly persons (H.B. 401).
- 139. Social Determinants of Health to study the role of policy and budget planning in supporting the public and private sector partnerships needed to address the social determinants of health.
- 140. State Agency Auditing of Local Health and Human Services to study the effectiveness of streamlining and consolidating audit efforts by the Department of Health and the Department of Human Services and their contracted monitors on county-delivered human service programs, local public health programs, and private providers.
- 141. State Health System Reform to study affordability parameters, thresholds, and mechanisms needed to support the broader goals of state health system reform, including access to decent and affordable health insurance coverage for the uninsured.
- 157. Medicaid Fraud Control Unit to study the return on investment for resources provided to the Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit and the feasibility of increased recoveries if the unit is provided with more resources.
- 158. Medicaid Fraud Enforcement Mechanisms to study whether Utah should adopt Qui Tam provisions for enforcement of provider fraud.
- 167. Snuff Labeling to study whether to ban or require specific labeling on flavored snuff

Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and Criminal Justice

- 142. Affirmative Action to study the status of the affirmative action effort in Utah and a potential constitutional amendment related to H.J.R. 24.
- 143. Bail Bond Recovery to study bail bond recovery agent requirements and equal treatment by government as proposed in H.J.R. 24.
- 144. Committee of Correspondence on State Sovereignty to study whether to appoint a committee of correspondence to communicate and coordinate with other states regarding state sovereignty issues.
 - 145. Costs of Death Penalty to study the cost impact of the death penalty.
 - 146. Criminal Code to study and comprehensively review the Utah Criminal Code.
- 147. Employment of Pre-Sentence Report Writers to study which agency should employ pre-sentence report writers, since they perform a quasi-court function.
 - 148. Expungement to study substantive modifications to the expungement law.
 - 149. Fireworks to study the regulation of fireworks.
 - 150. Fusion Centers to study oversight of fusion centers.
- 151. Grandparent Rights to study the rights of grandparents when they have custody of children.
- 152. Guardianship Appointments to study the creation of a method within the courts for the appointment of a guardian or conservator for a minor or an incapacitated adult and the elimination of a local school board's ability to designate guardians for students within their district (H.B. 347).
 - 153. Gun Free Zones to study Utah's gun free zones.
 - 154. Incense as a Drug to study the sale and use of incense as a drug.
- 155. Indigent Defense to study the Indigent Defense Act and its application to indigent defense resources.
- 156. Law Enforcement Pay Plans to study law enforcement officer, correctional officer, and public safety dispatch personnel pay plans (H.B. 330).
- 160. Pepspice Regulation to study whether to regulate the sale and use of the substance Pepspice.
- 162. Prescription Abuse to study issues related to prescription drug and substance abuse.
- 163. Renewal of Judgments to study the establishment of a fee for renewal of judgments (H.B. 373).
- 164. Search and Rescue Funding to study ways to fund voluntary search and rescue efforts (S.B. 60).
- 165. Sexual Offenses Against a Minor to study and work with the Sentencing Commission on issues related to unlawful sexual offenses against a minor.
 - 166. Shared Parenting to study issues related to shared parenting in divorce.
- 168. Unlawful Provision of Identifiable Prescription Information to study whether to make it a class B misdemeanor to provide, sell, exchange, purchase, obtain, or use identifiable

prescription information for a commercial purpose, except as may be permitted (H.B. 104).

169. Utah Supreme Court Terms - to study the appointment of justices to the Utah
Supreme Court on a staggered term basis so that only one comes up for retention election every two years.

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment

- 170. Access and Improvements to Fisheries to study how to establish an agreement between the Division of Wildlife Resources and property owners to provide access and improvements to fisheries.
 - 171. Agriculture Services Area to study whether to allow an agriculture services area.
- 172. Application of Endangered Species Act to study how to apply to the Endangered Species Act to species which are completely contained within the state and never cross state borders.
 - 173. Canal Safety to study enacting a Canal Safety Act (1st Sub. S.B. 185).
- 174. Duration of Deer Hunt to study whether to change the duration of the general rifle deer hunt (H.B. 417).
- 175. Environmental Quality Boards to study modifying provisions to boards, and executive secretaries to boards, within the Department of Environmental Quality (S.B. 223).
- 176. Fire Funding to study wildland fire and School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration wildfire funding issues.
- 177. Groundwater Protest and Studies to study issues relating to Millard County's legal defense of its groundwater protests, and the ongoing USGS groundwater studies in Snake Valley.
- 178. Hunting by Grazing Associations to study whether to provide conservation hunting permits to grazing associations.
 - 179. Sand and Gravel to study the classification of sand and gravel.
- 180. Solid Waste Classification to study the approval process used to determine solid waste facility classifications.
- 181. Stream Access to study and explore the possibility of forming cooperative fishing management units.
- 182. Surface Owner Protection to study procedures for an operator to follow when conducting an oil or gas operation (H.B. 309).
- 183. Tire Recycling Fee Distribution to study the distribution of funds from the Tire Recycling fee, and the fairness of participation and contribution to the fund.
- 184. Waste Reduction and Recycling to study a state waste reduction and recycling program.
- 185. Water Authority Project to study issues related to the Southern Nevada Water Authority Groundwater Development Project.
- 186. Water Right Change Requests to study modifications to the process for changing water rights (S.B. 99).
- 187. Water Rights and River Recreation to study water rights related to recreation on Utah rivers.

Public Utilities and Technology

- 161. Phone Slamming to study phone slamming and determine an appropriate penalty.
- 188. Applying the National Electrical Code to study whether to require the Public Service Commission, in determining provisions for electrical service connections by an electrical corporation, to use the current state adopted National Electrical Code provision, and whether to allow alternative provisions if the commission determines they are just and reasonable (H.B. 411).
- 189. Energy Cost Recovery and Renewable Energy to study cost recovery for various forms of energy and renewable energy goals (S.B. 131).
- 190. Enhanced 911 Requirements to study enhanced 911 requirements for multi-line telephone systems (S.B. 72).
- 191. Net Metering to study and propose potential adjustments to the net metering laws to address the higher cost of renewable energy.
- 192. Utility Undergrounding to study whether to provide funding for the purpose of undergrounding power lines through a local option franchise tax authority in older urbanized municipalities.
- 193. Utilization of Department of Technology Services by State Agencies to study the "decoupling" of the Department of Technology Services from mandatory usage by state agencies wishing to utilize other technology services from other companies or agencies through RFP.

Revenue and Taxation

- 194. Administrative Fees Account to study issues related to the Sales Tax Administrative Fees Account.
- 195. Appeal to Utah Population Estimates Committee to study whether to authorize a county, city, or town to appeal its population for certain sales and use tax purposes to the Utah Population Estimates Committee (H.B. 139).
- 196. Determination of Sale Origin to study and determine when a sale, other than a sale of tangible personal property, is in the state.
- 197. District Taxing Authority to study the taxing authority for water conservancy districts.
- 198. Flat Tax to study the impact of moving from graduated income tax brackets to a flat tax on education and the General Fund.
- 199. Local Option Sales and Use Tax Terminology to study the terminology used in local option sales and use taxes to refer to local governments and whether greater uniformity can be achieved in the use of the terminology.
- 200. Localized Taxes to study sales and use taxes within a geographic area that is smaller than a county, city, or town.
- 201. Municipal Taxes and PILT Funding to study a municipal services tax and Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) funding.
- 202. Property Tax Exemption to study whether to change certain qualifications for the residential property tax exemption (H.B. 182).
- 203. Property Tax Valuation to study whether to change the valuation of certain property under the Property Tax Act (H.B. 322).
- 204. Recreational Vehicle Taxes to study tax equity on the rental of recreational vehicles.
- 206. Tax Increases Not Approved by Voters to study whether to allow tax increases not approved by voters to be subject to referendum and initiative procedures.
- 207. Tax Notice Modifications to study whether tax notices should be modified to provide more information, including the percentage of increase or decrease, the date and type of approval, and the time and location of public hearings.
- 208. Transmitting Local Tax Ordinances to study whether counties, cities, and towns should be required to provide their sales and use tax ordinances to the State Tax Commission.
- 209. Transportation Taxes to study the taxing authority for local option sales and use taxes for transportation.
- 210. Use Tax for Electronic Waste to study and review a use tax to cover recycling costs up front for electronic waste, computers, cell phones, DVD players, VCR's, etc.
- 211. Wind Farm Siting and Taxes to study the siting of wind farms and whether to assess an excise tax on wind energy similar to the severance tax on minerals.

Retirement and Independent Entities

- 212. Part-Time Employee Health Care Costs to study the effects of pro rating the health care costs of part-time employees.
- 213. Retirement Issues Related to Part-Time Employees to study the effect of part-time employees who work full time the last few years of their careers.

Transportation

- 159. Metabolite DUI to study metabolite DUI's where there is no impairment.
- 205. Special Group License Plate Regulation to study the regulation of special group license plates by State Tax Commission rule instead of legislative action, with sunset language for those which fail to meet goals.
- 214. B and C Road Maintenance Funding to study whether current B and C road funds are adequate to cover the maintenance costs of those roads.
- 215. Class B and C Road Bids to study bid limits for class B and class C road maintenance or construction projects.
- 216. Contract Passenger Carriers to study the regulation of contract passenger carriers and other provisions of H.B. 152.
- 217. County Emissions Penalties to study the penalties assessed by local governments on emissions testing businesses that violate emissions testing procedures, including a potential cap on penalties and fine amounts.
- 218. Deferring Road Maintenance to study the impact of the deferring of routine maintenance of arterial and collector roads.
- 219. Determining Local Transportation Needs to study and review the current means of determining the transportation needs of a community, including cost and capacity measures, and ways to improve these determinations.
- 220. Emissions to study statewide vehicle emissions requirements and examine the possibility of incentivizing vehicle owners in rural counties to meet emissions standards required in Wasatch Front counties.
- 221. Emissions and Maintenance Incentives to study whether to provide incentives to counties where an emissions inspection and maintenance program is not required or necessary to adopt similar standards as counties that have an inspection and maintenance program.
- 222. Fair Appraisal Services for Rights-of-Way to study fair practices for equitable and proper appraisal services when the state is in the process of acquiring rights-of-way and condemning properties for state use.
- 223. Impact of Impound Law to study the impact of H.B. 151, Motor Vehicle Revisions, 2008 General Session, including how many vehicles have been impounded due to its passage into law.
- 224. Impact of Requests for Special Group License Plates to study how to address the many requests for special group licenses, poor fund-raising, and the administrative burden of accommodating plate usage.
- 225. Information on Driver Licenses and Registration to study whether to place zip codes on driver licenses and whether to place an individual's address on the vehicle registration.
- 226. Lane Mile Distribution Formula for Local Transportation Funding to study the adequacy of the current lane mile distribution formula in funding transportation needs in a community and whether there is a better measure of capacity that more accurately reflects transportation need, including lane miles traveled per lane mile, an assessment of arterial roads in

a community, or another measure.

- 227. Motor Vehicle Owner or Operator Security to study the enforcement of the requirement to have owners' or operators' security for a motor vehicle that is operated on a highway in Utah.
- 228. Operating Bicycles and Mopeds to study the operation of bicycles and mopeds on roadways (H.B. 424).
- 229. Public Transit Districts to study whether to allow public transit districts to establish, finance, and participate as a limited partner in a development with limited liabilities, to construct, improve, maintain, or operate a transit-oriented development or transit-supportive development, or to assist in the economic development of areas in proximity of transit facilities (S.B. 272).
- 230. Railroad Crossing Amendments to study potential changes to railroad and railroad crossing laws.
- 231. Special Group License Plate Issues to study funding of special group license plates, eliminating underused plates, and the approval process.
- 232. Special Group License Plates to study whether to place a cap on the number of special group license plates.
- 233. Special Olympics License Plate to study the creation of a Special Olympics License Plate.

Tax Review Commission

235. Tangible Personal Property Definition - to study and determine whether the definition of tangible personal property should include carpeting (S.B. 27).

Workforce Services and Community and Economic Development

- 236. Arts and Museum Funding to study ways to fund arts and museums in the state.
- 237. Community Development and Renewal Agency to study various revisions to community development and renewal agency statutes, including the allocation of 20% of tax increment for housing (S.B. 197).
- 239. Notification of Misuse of Information or Identity Fraud to study Department of Workforce Services' notification of employers of practices that could constitute misuse of personal identifying information or identity fraud.
 - 240. Venture Capital to study issues related to Utah venture capital.

Native American Legislative Liaison

- 241. Exemptions for Cedar Band to study whether to exempt certain transactions on Cedar Band reservation land from specified taxes imposed under state law (S.B. 207).
- 242. Native American Economies to study economic opportunities for Native American communities.

Executive Appropriations

- 243. Capital Outlay to study capital outlay funding equalization.
- 244. Government Functions and Budgeting to study the creation of a bi-partisan task force to develop a list of core government functions and the implementation of a new system of performance and budgeting.
 - 245. State Agency Budgets to study zero based budgets for state agencies (H.B. 392).
- 246. Vacation Leave Policies to study and conduct an analysis of sick and vacation leave policies versus paid time off.

Natural Resources Appropriations

247. Privatizing State Parks - to study and review a report, prepared by the Department of Natural Resources' internal audit team, of the potential costs and benefits of privatizing or outsourcing state park operations, including a list of six potential park candidates likely for privatization.

Legislative Process

- 248. Notification of Bill Hearing Change to study ways to alert the public when a bill posted on a committee agenda will not be heard.
- 249. Public Meeting Agendas to study whether to require a "tentative agenda" at least 72 hours prior to a public meeting, and leaving in place the current 24-hour notice requirement for a final agenda.

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